

- 1 56. The method of claim 51 further comprising searching the
2 information in the hierarchical database at the course
3 level.
- 1 57. The method of claim 52 further comprising searching the
2 information in the hierarchical database at the series
3 level.
- 1 58. The method of claim 53 further comprising previewing the
2 information identified as a result of the search.
- 1 59. The method of claim 53 further comprising building content
2 from information retrieved from the object level of the
3 hierarchical database.
- 1 60. The method of claim 54 further comprising building content
2 from information retrieved from the concept level of the
3 hierarchical database.
- 1 61. The method of claim 55 further comprising building content
2 from information retrieved from the topic level of the
3 hierarchical database.
- 1 62. The method of claim 56 further comprising building content
2 from information retrieved from the course level of the
3 hierarchical database.

- 1 63. The method of claim 57 further comprising building content
2 from information retrieved from the series level of the
3 hierarchical database.
- 1 64. The method of claim 48 further comprising classifying
2 information contained in the hierarchical database as part
3 of an object or larger unit of information.
- 1 65. The method of claim 48 further comprising classifying
2 objects in various types and searching the objects by type.
- 1 66. The method of claim 47 further comprising performing
2 administrative functions.
- 1 67. The method of claim 66 wherein the administrative functions
2 include adding a new user.
- 1 68. The method of claim 66 wherein the administrative functions
2 include monitoring workflow.
- 1 69. The method of claim 47 wherein the method is used for the
2 delivery of on-line courses.
- 1 70. Computer executable software code stored on a computer
2 readable medium, the code for delivery of on-line content,
3 comprising:
4 code to receive information for inclusion in a

5 hierarchical database;
6 code to search information contained in the
7 hierarchical database at multiple levels in the
8 hierarchical database;
9 code to retrieve information contained in the
10 hierarchical database identified as a result of a search;
11 and
12 code to build content from information received for
13 inclusion in hierarchical database and from information
14 retrieved from the hierarchical database.

- 1 71. The code of claim 70 wherein the hierarchical database
2 includes objects, which represent units of information
3 contained in the hierarchical database, and at least one
4 larger unit of information, which represents a grouping of
5 objects.
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7 72. The code of claim 71 wherein the larger unit of information
8 represents a concept.
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10 73. The code of claim 71 wherein the larger unit of information
11 represents a topic.
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13 74. The code of claim 71 wherein the larger unit of information
14 represents a course.